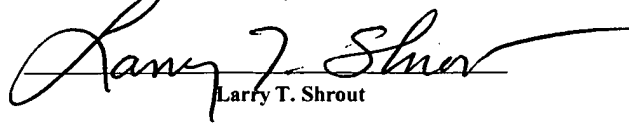




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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**PATENT APPLICATION**

In re application of:	)	Conf. No.: 7659
Donald G. Gibbons	)	
Application No.: <sup>10</sup> 44/804,509	)	Attorney Docket No.: RLC-88
	)	
Filed: December 22, 2004	)	Group Art: 2832
	)	
For: SWITCHING MECHANISM WITH	)	Examiner: Lee, K.
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**AMENDMENT A**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
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Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action dated November 1, 2005, Applicants have provided herein arguments in support of the claims as originally filed and respectfully request a favorable reconsideration and allowance of the claims:

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.